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The Honorable Barbara Linde
Presiding Judge, King County District Court
King County Courthouse, W-1034
516 Third Ave.
Seattle, WA 98104

RE: **Death of John T. Williams**

Dear Judge Linde:

I hereby order an inquest into the August 30, 2010 shooting death of John T. Williams by a Seattle Police Officer. I request that a judge be assigned to conduct the inquest.

My decision is based on a recommendation by the Prosecuting Attorney that this case meets the conditions outlined in Executive Order (PHL 7-1) requiring an inquest. The Prosecuting Attorney's recommendation is enclosed.

Please contact Mark Larson, Chief Deputy, Criminal Division at 206-296-9450 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Dow Constantine
King County Executive

cc: The Honorable Dan Satterberg, King County Prosecuting Attorney
Mark Larson, Chief Deputy, Criminal Division, KCPAO
John Diaz, Chief, Seattle Police Department
Gail Stone, Law & Justice Policy Advisor, King County Executive Office
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